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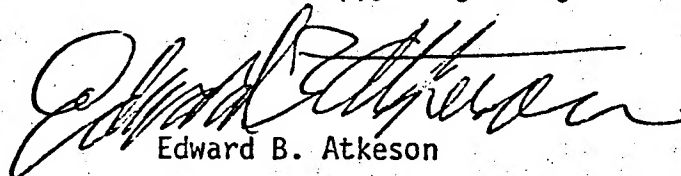
SUBJECT : IIM: The Readiness of Soviet Ground Forces

REFERENCE : SRP Memo, [redacted] dtd. 26 Aug 82

1. This is to offer my appreciation for your thoughtful comments on the ground readiness paper. As usual, you have helped us step out from the trees and take a needed look at the forest. Over the next week and during the community coordination sessions we shall take the necessary steps to incorporate your suggestions into the final product. [redacted]

2. On your suggestion to attempt a rough quantification of the intangibles (C³, leadership and morale, and logistics), however, I am going to demur. I believe we have come a long way in this paper in advancing the state of the art. [redacted]

3. Your comments on the intangibles do convince me, however, that we ought to take a fresh look at the discussion in the IIM on these factors. There may well be room for some additional thoughts beyond what may seem to some as a rather cavalier dismissal because of the inability to quantify. If you see a need to discuss this further, I'd be happy to get together at your convenience. [redacted]


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